

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION Washington, DC 20463

Matt Sawyer, Esq. 7616 LBJ Freeway, Suite 505 Dallas, TX 75251 April 9, 1999

RE: MUR 4856

Reform Party of the United States of America and Michael B. Morris, Jr., as treasurer

Dear Mr. Sawyer:

On November 12, 1998, the Federal Election Commission notified your clients, the Reform Party of the United States of America and its treasurer, of a complaint alleging violations of certain sections of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ("the Act").

On April 2, 1999, the Commission found, on the basis of the information in the complaint, and information provided by you, that there is no reason to believe the Reform Party of the United States of America and Michael B. Morris, Jr., as treasurer, violated the Act. Accordingly, the Commission closed its file in this matter. The General Counsel's Report is enclosed for your information.

The confidentiality provisions at 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(12) no longer apply and this matter is now public. In addition, although the complete file must be placed on the public record within 30 days, this could occur at any time following certification of the Commission's vote. If you wish to submit any factual or legal materials to appear on the public record, please do so as soon as possible. While the file may be placed on the public record before receiving your additional materials, any permissible submissions will be added to the public record upon receipt.

If you have any questions, please contact Mark Allen, the attorney assigned to this matter at (202) 694-1650.

Sincerely,

Lawrence M. Noble General Counsel

BY: Lois G. Lerner

Associate General Counsel

Enclosure
General Counsel's Report